Group gets natural info

More than 50 people interested in natural resources management and the environment came from all areas of Virginia to attend an intensive four-day environmental education workshop, which introduced the participants to some of the processes involved in solving environmental problems.

The workshop was organized by Virginia Federation of Garden Clubs (VFGC) with Mrs. Robert D. Kofron of Richmond serving as Chairman. The VFGC Nature Camp in George Washington National Forest near Lexington was the workshop site, August 13-16.

Mrs. Edward J. Hennessy, president of VFGC from Portsmouth, Va., stressed the importance of such workshops and commented that environmental education is aimed at producing a citizenry knowledgeable of environmental concerns, aware of the need for balance between consumer demands and what natural resources can provide, and motivated to work for solutions.

All workshop participants use the process approach to learning by conducting "hands on" field investigations of wildlife habitat, watersheds, soil, the overall forest environment and urban areas. These systems are investigated both individually and as small groups, sharing discoveries and reaching conclusions through group discussions.

Group leaders, or facilitators, help by questioning the groups about their field investigations. In the process approach, facilitators are not teachers, but rather leaders who encourage self-discovery.

Facilitators included Mrs. Monroe Thrower, past president of the VFGC, Mrs. Harold E. Hewgley, National Council of State Garden Clubs Chairman for Environmental Education, and Mr. A. F. Peffer, Regional Leader for Conservation Education with the U. S. Forest Service.

The 1981 workshop received a grant from the Virginia Environmental Endowment and was also sponsored by Westvaco, DuPont, Philip Morris, The Chesapeake Corporation, Continental Forest Industries, C&P Telephone and Safeway.

Selected participants included garden club members, state and country natural resource managers, students, teachers, 4-H leaders, Boy Scout leaders, and other youth group workers. The workshop offered three hours teacher credit through the University of Virginia to educators which attended the workshop.

Mrs. George A. Patterson, Lewisburg, West Virginia, national environmental education advisor, was team leader for the workshop. Mrs. Patterson summarized the session by pointing out that such workshops are vitally important for developing skills valuable to involving any age group or any segment of the community in seeking problem solutions. The process and problem-solving approach used for the workshop is a unique learning experience.

David Coffman, Public Affairs Forester with Westvaco Timberlands in Appomattox participated in the workshop, providing natural resource management information to the group and instructional materials for teachers to use in classroom activities.

HORACE COLEMAN (LEFT), newly elected vice chairman of the Appomattox County Board of Public Welfare, and Tommy Drinkard (Center), newly elected chairman of the board, met recently with Louise Martin, newly appointed board member, to discuss county welfare business. One action which the board took recently was to deny themselves an increase in compensation, because of the slow economy. (Photo by Allen Austin)

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By TOM CONRAD
USDA'S ALL-RISK CROP INSURANCE INFORMATION - Final signup for the U.S. Department of Agriculture's All-Risk Crop Insurance for

ASCS Today

winter wheat and barley ends September 30, 1981 in Appomattox County, Secretary of Agriculture, John R. Block, has asked that farmers be reminded of this deadline date. USDA satistics show that every year one of every 14 planted acres never makes it to harvest. Secretary Block said, "Most farmers cannot afford to take such a risk on their own without insurance protection. Our new crop insurance program is a major policy change from federal disaster programs that pay too little, to too few farmers. All-Risk Crop Insurance is a self-help assistance program that is fair to all."

This all-risk crop insurance is available through several local insurance agents. If your agent doesn't handle it, you may obtain a list of crop insurance agents by calling this office 804 352-5283, or you may call the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation's toll-free number, 1-800-447-4700.

OLD AND MIDDLE BELT FLUE-CURED - TYPE 11 - Old and Middle Belt flue-cured tobacco markets completed the fourth week of sales with lower grade prices and improved quality, reports the Federal-State Market News Service. Volume was fairly heavy and growers placed more tobacco under loan. Producers' sales opportunity in this belt next week (August 17-20) is 28,234,000 pounds (includes four markets or 3,556,000 pounds in Marketing Area C).

Gross sales by states follow:

States	Pounds	Week Ending August 15, 1981 Average	Season Through August 15, 1981 Pounds	Season Through August 15, 1981 Average
Virginia	9,813,173	$145.39	10,835,396	$144.77
North Carolina	19,712,870	150.00	67,319,350	149.75
TOTAL	29,526,043	$148.65	68,154,746	$148.24

The general average of $148.65 showed an increase of $3.53 per hundred over last week's level. Season sales last year for the same number of days was $4,545,929 pounds, averaging $127.99 per hundred.

Resales totaled 2,271,212 pounds this week and 3,907,202 pounds to date.

Price losses of mainly $1 to $ 6 per hundred pounds affected about 60 percent of the grads, with the more pronounced declines centered on primings. Only lug grades showed more strength than the previous week with a few more gains than losses of $1 to $3 per hundred. Top average was $190 per hundred for good orange cutters.

The volume of primings dropped 22 percentage points compared to last week, while lugs and upper stalk tobacco each increased 10 points. Marketings consisted of 17 percent leaf and cutters, 35 percent lugs, 37 percent primings, and 11 percent nondescript.

Loan receipts comprised 5.7 percent of weekly gross sales and 3.5 percent for the season. Last year, 4.8 percent of gross poundage was placed under loan for the comparable time.

The U. S. Crop Reporting Board set the production estimate for this type at 369,950,000 pounds in their August release. This represents an increase of 21,280,000 pounds. The all flue-cured figure was adjusted to 1,097,390,000 pounds.

Social work course set

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identical in course requirements with the on-campus program in Richmond. While the off-campus program has used part-time faculty from the local area, these faculty have worked closely with the full-time faculty in the school in order to insure compatibility with the required curriculum and to maintain the accredited status of the total program.

The first year (Foundation Year) of the 60 credit requirement for a Master of Social Work degree may be taken on an extended-time basis. These first 30 credits must be completed within four year sof initial enrollment. All requirements for the degree must be completed within five years.

On-site registration will take place at the Lynchburg Training School and Hospital on August 26, 1981, in the Nagler Building, Room 219, between 4-6 p.m. Classes will begin in Lynchburg on Sept. 9, 1981. Potential students can receive further information about course offerings by writing to Florence Z. Segal, Director of Social Work Continuing Education, Virginia Commonwealth University, 1001 West Franklin Street, Richmond, VA 23284, or by telephoning 804-257-1030.

It is possible to register on the first day of class but students are encouraged to register on August 26 to assure availability of class offerings. Textbooks will be available for purchase at the time of registration.

Extension Homemakers

Canning contest results

JAMS AND JELLIES

Ruth Drinkard	1st - Blue Ribbon
Margaret Lee	2nd - Blue Ribbon
Pauline Reeve	2nd - Blue Ribbon
Debbie Hackney	2nd - Blue Ribbon
Tammy Irby	2nd - Blue Ribbon
Jerrie Archer	2nd - Blue Ribbon
Sue O'Brien	Red Ribbon
Kathryn Nash	Red Ribbon

PICKLE

Pauline Reeve	1st - Blue Ribbon
Gaye Stevens	2nd - Blue Ribbon
Margaret Lee	Blue Ribbon
Ruth Drinkard	Blue Ribbon
Sue O'Brien	Red Ribbon
Elaine Stubblefield	Red Ribbon
Kathryn Nash	Red Ribbon
Doris Click	Red Ribbon
Carolyn Coleman	Red Ribbon
Jerry Archer	Red Ribbon
Lula Webber	Red Ribbon
Linda Archer	White Ribbon
Grace Minor	White Ribbon

VEGETABLES

Linda Archer	1st - Blue
Doris Click	2nd - Blue
Margaret Lee	Blue Ribbon
Gayne Stevens	Blue Ribbon
Debbie Hackney	Blue Ribbon
Elaine Stubblefield	Blue Ribbon
Ruth Drinkard	Red Ribbon
Debby Hackney	Red Ribbon
Kathryn Nash	Red Ribbon
Francis Wilson	Red Ribbon
Carolyn Coleman	Red Ribbon
Lula Irby	Red Ribbon
Sue O'Brien	White Ribbon

FRUITS

Margaret Lee	1st - Blue Ribbon
Doris Click	2nd - Blue Ribbon
Ruth Drinkard	Blue Ribbon
Linda Archer	Blue Ribbon
Pauline Reeve	Blue Ribbon
Kathryn Nash	Red Ribbon
Elaine Stubblefield	Red Ribbon

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The activity room includes a fireplace, TV area, and base cabinets with shelves above.

The square kitchen provides exceptional work space, built-in appliances, and a breakfast area with a bay window. The laundry room, a special hobby room, a full bath, a maid's room (or inlaw room), occupy the full depth between the kitchen and triple garage area. Storage space is unbelievable and there is a laundry tub and disappearing stair from the garage.

Three additional bedrooms are at the other end. Each bedroom has direct access to a bath and again, closet space is exceptional.

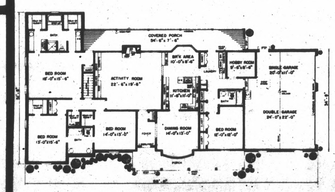
The master bedroom suite has covered porch access and a dream bath with separate tub and shower, two vanity areas, and two walk-in closets.

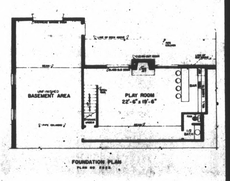
The long covered porch can be reached through the laundry or master bedroom. Stairs to the playroom are central.

The exterior construction is brick and wood with columned front porch, bay window, gable roof with offsets, and diamond and multi-lite shuttered windows.

The plan is number 2822. It includes 2885 square feet of heated area on the main floor and 700 additional square in the basement playroom. All W.D. Farmer plans include special construction details for energy efficiency, and are guaranteed to meet all F.H.A. and V.A. requirements.

For further information on plan 2822, write W.D. Farmer Residence Designer, Inc., P.O. Box 49463, Atlanta, Ga. 30359.





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THE GRADUATING CLASS OF 1930 as they appeared at their recent reunion with the class of 1931 from Appomattox High School. Front row, left to right are, Mrs. Helen Harvey, Teacher, Ethel Alvis Evans, A. R. Harwood, Jr., Eunice McNally Caldwell, Isabelle Martin Martin, Lottie Lucado Marks, and Elizabeth Robertson Asher. Center row, left to right, Virginia Carson Kampf, W. Eston Harvey, Lucy Smith Pack, Mary Grey Sears Holland, Mary Woodson Berry, Virginia Hait Morris and Frances Coleman Morris. Back row, left to right, Alise Martin Drinkard, Henry Pack, William Dickerson, Annie Gilbert Webb, and Isabelle Coleman Reynolds. [Photo by Joe Vaughan]

THE 1931 GRADUATING CLASS of Appomattox High School met for a joint reunion recently with the class of 1930. Members of the class of '31 present are shown above. Front row, left to right, Evelyn Dickerson Frazier, Mrs. Helene W. Harvey, teacher, Winifred Harvey Martin, Lucille Akers Harvey, Josephine LeGrand Carter, Ava Chilton, Addie Lena Ferguson Paulette, Clyde Thomas. Second row, left to right, Frank Cawthorn (Mutt), Carey Carson, Gertrude Stewart Woolridge, Willie D. Morris, Mildred Marshall Tomlinson, Mary Louise Mehurin Inabinet, Ruby Coleman Marshall and Lucile Cralle Ferrell. (photo by Joe Vaughan)

Alcoholism said to be family disease

Alcoholism does not restrict its devastation to the body, mind, and conscience of its victim; but through the alcoholic, it attacks the family..

Research reveals that families will not admit that a member is an alcoholic until illness has been critical for an average of seven years. After finally admitting that the illness exists, the family often waits two more years before seeking help.

Alcoholism is a form of denial, and the alcoholic is locked in a phase of resistance to treatment. If the family denies the problem also and refuses to break the lock, the alcoholic will continue to deteriorate and family members will continue to suffer.

The family member on whom the alcoholic is most dependent may need more assistance and counseling than the alcoholic if an effective recovery program for the family is to be initiated. Alcoholism is an illness that has a tremendous emotional impact on the immediate family. Those most affected by the alcoholic are the spouse, parent, sister, brother, and child. Interaction among family members may become very destructive within the alcoholic home. Children are often the worst sufferers. There is much that can be done to reduce the harmful effects of alcoholism on children and to create a climate in the home that will be conducive to their emotional health and happiness.

If you are concerned about someone with a drinking problem, the Al-Anon program can help you.

Al-Anon was founded by families of alcoholics who found sobriety in Alcoholics Anonymous, but today many Al-Anon members are finding serenity through the Al-Anon program despite an active drinking problem.

Al-Anon has but one purpose: to HELP FAMILIES OF ALCOHOLICS. The Appomattox Al-Anon Family Group meets each Tuesday night at 8 p.m. at St. Anne's Episcopal Church. If you desire further information, please call 352-8715. Like Alcoholics Anonymous, Al-Anon is an anonymous fellowship, and you will be welcomed by its members.

Staff holds reunion

The staff at the Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center held a reunion on Saturday, Aug. 8.

The gathering included staff members from 1976 through 1981. A luncheon was enjoyed by all – followed by an afternoon of renewing old friendships and a slide presentation of fun times at the Center.

According to Don Jimison, center director, the reunion was such a success plans are underway to gather again in 1982.

'Camper of the Week'

On Friday, August 14, 1981, Holiday Lake 4-H Educatonal Center was proud to present Charlie Spiers with a certificate of recognition on being selected "Camper of the Week". This certificate is awarded to a camper who participates in a variety of activities and events held during the week of camp. Charlie will receive a half scholarship to attend 4-H Camp next summer. Charlie is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Spiers of Amelia County.

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SAT prep class set

The Office of Continuing Education at CVCC will offer a course designed to prepare high school students to write the College Board Examination.

The course will stress reading, comprehension, vocabulary development and skills necessary for the understanding of concepts of arithmetic, ratio, algebra and geometry.

Two sections of the course will be scheduled from 7 to 9 p.m. on Mondays and Tuesdays. The course will begin on August 24 and August 25, 1981 and will meet for 10 weeks. The cost of the course is $32.50 for tuition, and textbook cost is around $5.00.

Enrollment is limited to 20 students per section; therefore, early enrollment is encouraged. For additional information, contact the Office of Continuing Education at 239-0321.

RRF events slated

This year's Historic Appomattox Railroad Festival seems to be progressing towards a fun filled weekend.

The Recreation Committee has several wonderful events planned for your enjoyment. There will be pony rides, kiddie rides,, competitive games, Woodsy Owl, Smokey Bear, and The Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Van will be on view.

If you have a recreational activity and have not been contacted, please get in contact with the Historic Appomattox Railroad Festival, P.O. Box 518.

WHILE PICKING UP POTATOES recently, Bonnie and Chester Francis, Jr. found potatoes that resemble a turtle, a duck and a dune buggy. They were grown on the Francis garden at Route 2, Gladstone. (Photo by Allen Austin)

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